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Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 August 2009.

2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.

3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6) Claim(s) 1-11 is/are rejected.

7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All b) Some * c) None of:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.

5) Notice of Informal Patent Application

6) Other: _____.

Art Rejections:

1. The text of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) not cited here can be found in previous office action.

2. Claims 1-3 and 6-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over D'Angelo et al, U.S. pat. No. 7,539,291.

Per claims 1 and 8, D'Angelo discloses a real-time communications system comprising:

a) an inter-architecture network (Internet 130) comprising a plurality of external networks (150, 110, fig. 1) wherein each of the external networks utilizes different access protocol (see col 2, lines 43-64 and col 3, lines 11-18);

b) a plurality of border elements (120, 141, fig. 1), each of the border elements in communication with the inter-architecture network and each of the border elements in communication with a respective external network wherein each of the border elements converts a different access protocol of the respective external network to the single protocol (see col 3, lines 45-63); and

D'Angelo does not explicitly show call control elements deployed in Internet 130. It is however noted that such call control elements are needed to provide communication services such as Internet telephony, conference, etc.

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to utilize conventional call control elements in D'Angelo because it would have enabled providing communication services such as Internet telephony, conference (see col 3, lines 57-63).

Per claims 2-3 and 9, it is noted that the Internet comprises many media servers (e.g., web sites) and other essential network elements including DHCP server and routers.

Per claims 6-7, D'Angelo also teaches employing application servers and network resource servers to provide call control/routing functions (see cols 9-10).

Per claims 10-11, it is noted that D'Angelo teachings would accommodate any conventional external networks utilizing any known protocols.

3. Claims 4-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over D'Angelo et al and further in view of Baum et al, U.S. pat. Appl. Pub. No. 2003/0211839.

D'Angelo does not disclose the use of E911 server. The use of E911 server for providing assistance to law enforcement personnel is well known in the art as disclosed by Baum (see Baum in par. 67).

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to utilize E911 server in D'Angelo because it would have enabled proper routing emergency Internet calls to the right destination.

Response to Amendment:

4. Applicant's arguments filed on August 11, 2009 with respect to claims 1-12 have been fully considered but they are moot in view of new ground of rejection set forth above.

Conclusion:

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Viet Vu whose telephone number is 571-272-3977. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 4:00pm. The Group general information number is 571-272-2100. The Group fax number is 571-273-8300. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan Flynn, can be reached on 571-272-1915.

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/Viet Vu/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2454

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